<u>S/N 10/723,610</u> <u>PATENT</u>

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Ning Hu et al. Art Unit: 1615

Serial No.: 10/723,610 Examiner: Gollamudi S. Kishore

Filed : November 26, 2003 Docket : 01992.006US2
Title : METHOD OF DRUG LOADING IN LIPOSOMES BY GRADIENT

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR § 1.111

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

This responds to the Office Action mailed on March 28, 2007. Please amend the above-identified application as follows.

This response is accompanied by a Petition, as well as the appropriate fee, to obtain a 3-month extension of the period for responding to the Office Action, thereby moving the deadline for response from June 28, 2007 to September 28, 2007.

Please amend claims 1, 3, 13-15, 23, 30, 42, 50, 52, 61, 63, 65, 67, 69, and 71 and cancel claims 24-29, 31-39, and 43-46 as shown in the listing of the claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 10 of this paper.

CERTIFICATE OF TRANSMISSION

I hereby certify that this correspondence is transmitted by facsimile, by electronic transmission, or is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail with sufficient postage on the date indicated below and is addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

September 27, 2007

Date of Deposit

Signature

Signature

Mu

Typed of Printed Name of Person Signing Certificate